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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner For Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified Application.

No additional fee for the Amendment is required. The fee for the Amendment has been calculated as shown below:


					Small Entity			Other Than Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra		Rate	Additional Fee		Rate	Additional Fee
Total	53	- 53	= 0		x \$ 9	\$		x \$ 18	\$0
Independent	4	- 4	= 0		x \$ 43	\$		x \$ 86	\$0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims					x \$145	\$		x \$290	\$0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE									\$0

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Applicants will pay the applicable filing and claims fees with the Response to the Notice of Missing Parts of Application dated March 18, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: April 30, 2004

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